by the Chittoor District Board on the ground that they belong to Kangondi;

(*c*) in whose jurisdiction this Rallagangammana Fair is being held and in whose jurisdiction the temple is located?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatesa Iyengar).**—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes The Cattle Fair and Jatra are said to be managed by the District Board, Chittoor.

(*c*) The Fair is held in the jurisdiction of Kangondi and the temple is also located within the *Zamindari*.

Mr. B. SRINIVASA RAO.—With reference to answer (*c*), how long ago was the boundary of the Kangondi Zamindari fixed?

Mr. M. VENKATESA IYENGAR.—Notice.

Mr. B. SRINIVASA RAO.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that the boundary stones are being shifted from year to year?

Mr. M. VENKATESA IYENGAR.—No.

Appointment of Mysoreans in the Gold Mining Companies.

Q.—16. **Messrs. A. G. MUDDURACHAPPA** (Bowringpet Municipality) and **B. SRINIVASA RAO** (Bowringpet Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is not a fact that the Dewan Sahib promised in the Representative Assembly Meeting that, while renewing the mining lease of Kolar Gold Fields, it would be stipulated that preference should be given to the Mysoreans for appointments in the mining companies;

(*b*) what is the number of Mysoreans employed accordingly in the Mining Companies?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatanaranappa).**—

(*a*) It was stated that the companies had promised to employ qualified Mysoreans as far as possible.

(*b*) It is ascertained that the number of Mysoreans by birth and domicile now employed in the superior service of the Mining Companies is about 270.

Mr. B. SRINIVASA RAO.—With reference to answer (*b*), out of 270, how many are born Mysoreans?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—One hundred are said to be born Mysoreans and the rest are domiciled.

Mr. B. SRINIVASA RAO.—Are Government aware that recently the mining authorities have entertained some hands from outside Universities?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—As far as possible, they are giving appointments to Mysoreans who include some passed candidates of the Benares University and the Dhanabad Mining Institute.

Mr. B. SRINIVASA RAO.—What is meant by "superior service" mentioned in the answer?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—It refers to employees on monthly salaries and not on daily wages.

Mr. A. G. MUDDURACHAPPA.—What is the salary fixed for the superior service?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—I cannot say. But the list furnished indicates only employees drawing Rs. 100 and above.

Mr. G. CHANNAPPA.—Does the figure 270 relate to the Mysoreans entertained after the renewal of the lease?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—No, it includes the people entertained previously.

Mr. G. CHANNAPPA.—What is the number entertained after the renewal of the lease?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Notice.

Mr. J. MAHOMED IMAM.—Are not the mining authorities required to furnish to the Government statistics of Mysoreans employed by them every year?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—No.

Mr. J. MAHOMED IMAM.—Does it not form one of the terms of the renewed lease?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—No. There is no agreement, but only an understanding.

Mr. PRESIDENT.—It is a gentlemen's agreement, as we call it.

Remission of Wet Assessment.

Q.—18. Mr. M. RAME GOWDA (Chintamani Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) from what year was the rule regarding the remission of wet assessment brought into force ;

(*b*) has it been amended again ;

(*c*) have the Government sanctioned half wet remission for the lands below all tanks in the State every year from the year from which the rule came into force where the yield of crop is less than four annas owing to insufficiency of water ?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. B. T. Kesavaiengar).—

(*a*) It was brought into force from the year 1897 (*vide* para 235 of Revenue Manual, Volume I, and G.O. No. 9048-55—Pet. 150, dated 16th April 1897).

(*b*) Yes, it has been amended from time to time for liberalising the rules and enlarging the scope for remission.

(*c*) Remission is being sanctioned in deserving cases only according to the rules in force.

Mr. M. RAME GOWDA.—With reference to answer (*c*), is remission granted in all cases where the crop raised falls below 4 annas ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—It depends upon the recommendation received from the revenue authorities.

Mr. M. RAME GOWDA.—Is not the recommendation for remission based on the entries made in the Pahani register by the shanbhog ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Not merely on that, but also on the recommendation made by the revenue officer concerned after inspection.

Mr. M. RAME GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that the shanbhogs are generally instructed to assess the crop at a higher rate even when it is actually less than 4 annas in value ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—No, if there should be such cases, they may be taken to the notice of the officers at the time of the *jamabandi*.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—According to the rules, should not the jamabandi officer verify the entries in the Pahani register by actual inspection of the land, especially when there is a complaint from the raiyats ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Yes, wherever necessary.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—If they fail to do so, what is the remedy open to the raiyats ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—If such cases are brought to the notice of the higher authorities, necessary action would be taken.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—When the rules provide for remission of wet assessment even in the *atchkats* under tanks, should not remission be granted in respect of rain-fed lands when there is a failure of crop ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—No, the conditions under which assessment is levied on rain-fed lands are altogether different from those under tanks.

Mr. NARASIMHE GOWDA.—Is not the Pahani entry made for the purpose of *jamabandi* a very rough estimate of the crop ?

The REVENUE COMMISSIONER (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman).—May be. But those who apply for remission must do so in November. There will be the standing crop then and it will be possible for the Amildar to go and inspect the Karthike crop and send up necessary recommendations in deserving cases. The *jamabandi* will generally be held in October.

Mr. Mummadi VEERABHADRAPPA.—But they say that all representations for remission must be made at the time of *jamabandi*.

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—The rule does not prohibit your doing it any time before November. The Amildar will have more time for inspecting the lands and verifying the Karthike crop.

Mr. Bagamane DEVA GOWDA.—The shanbhogs make entries in the Pahani register without even visiting the lands ; how are the raiyats to know